GOD WILL STRIKE!

In order to provoke sceptical and mocking smiles and to be labelled a prophet of doom, one need only talk to people, and even so-called believers, about the Divine Justice which will punish this world scornful of God and His Law.

Noah building his Ark in anticipation of the chastisements to come scarcely had any adepts . . . He was called a miserable old illuminated fool, people wagged their heads and chuckled up their sleeves . . . But the Deluge came anyway, not in the form of a symbol, as certain exegetes of false knowledge contend, but under the form of very real water, as the Holy Scriptures clearly and simply attest. Past incredulity was but one more bitterness that day for the poor shipwrecked who vainly sought help . . .

shipwrecked who vainly sought help . . . Sodom and Gomorrha also tasted the Divine Wrath in chastisement of their crimes. Fire from heaven devoured them.

Unfortunately the iniquity of our epoch has greatly surpassed that of the times of the Deluge, of Sodom and Gomorrha and of subsequent centuries. Certainly evil has always existed. Many perverse have passed upon the earth. But never has the scorn of God and of His Commandments been so general, never has apostasy carried Christianity and its leaders to this point. We live as if God did not exist. Ambitions and energies are oriented to the goods and the affections of this world as if we were going to live on earth eternally. Vice is current and admitted. God is offended all day long without our giving a care or while still pretending to be faithful Christians all the same, and we think that God will let this go on without end . . . God Will Strike, but before striking, He gives warning, like the good Father that He is. Supernatural occurences have been happening for over a hundred years in all parts of the globe, announcing the misfortunes to come to the world and giving an invitation to prayer and penance, which could change everything. People turn a deaf ear and mock . . .

We are not afraid of catty smiles . . . they will not make us keep silent. The fate of our brothers is too dear to us for us to renounce warning them of what is coming. Prophecies are not dogmas of faith, but a host of past prophecies have been fulfilled to the letter, as history attests, and many more will be fulfilled. When so many prophecies aiming in the same direction pile up one on top of another (though their authors had no link between them and often knew nothing of the other prophecies), wisdom itself demands that we take them into consideration.

In what follows, we will quote some of the prophecies concerning the chastisements to come and the signs helping to recognize the imminence of these sad days.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

"Nothing will happen as long as people pray, but a time will come when people will stop offering up public prayers. They will say: Things are going to stay like that. That is when the events will take place. Nevertheless, individual prayers will not cease."

— The Prophecy of Blois, 1804.

"When the fear of God will have been altogether set aside, atrocious and cruel wars will arise at will, a host of people will be immolated in them, and many cities will be changed into a heap of ruins . . . The days preceding the peace of the end times will have been desolated by the effeminate morals of the world; the elements, outraged by the sins of men, will have been powerless to produce anything good . . ."

— Saint Hildegard, 1098-1180.

"Society, like a vessel, will be thrashed about by the wrought up waves of evil doctrines. Fiery passions and ferocious instincts will be unleashed against it, and in the eyes of many it will seem on the point



A merciful and just Saviour pleads for our prayers and penances which will mitigate the divine wrath.

of an inevitable shipwreck. Nothing more will be able to be expected from men. God alone can save it. But how can we expect this miracle of goodness and mercy from Him since justice arms His hand against us?"

- Father de Ravignan, 1847.

"Extraordinary phenomena will appear in the sky at the approach of this great event . . . There will be a moment of frightful anarchy during which one will see all the disorders of the most evil times being renewed . . . Crime without repression will be at its peak . . . "

— Little Marie des Terrequx, 1773-1843.

"When the need to build will reach the point where each businessman will have his country house and each city its new church, when women will be dressed like men and when men will have the character of women, a great revolution will spread in the world."

- Mme. de Meylian, before 1848.

"Numerous are the offenses which have been made to Me and which will yet be made to Me, especially women with their indecent fashions, their low-necked dresses, their frivolity and the perversity of their feelings, the effect of which is to de-Christianize men and their families. The indignation of My heavenly Father, wounded in His eternal justice to the point where He will see Himself constrained to chastize men, comes largely from their withdrawing from Him and from My Church and making light of the Divine Commandments . . .

"Immorality and impudence will be so great in all classes of society that My heavenly Father will have no choice but to destroy whole communes, unless men listen to this all-merciful warning and convert. Depravation no longer knows any bounds. They will not be afraid of scandalizing and perverting the children which My heart loves so much because of their innocence. These sins will be the order of the day not only in Spain but in the whole world . . ."

— Our Lord to Marie Rafols, died in 1853.

THE GREAT BLOW

The intervention of the Justice of God will take place at the moment when the impious will believe that they have arrived at the complete realization of their designs:

"I heard numerous voices which cried out in a horrible tone. I heard the same voices three times say: "We are the winners; victory is ours!" At the moment that the voices pronounced these words, all of a sudden, I saw the sky become a profound night . . . This obscurity was accompanied by thunder, or rather it seemed to me that the thunder came at the same time from the four parts of the world. The sky turned into fire. So terrible a noise was being made at that time that it seemed to announce the complete ruin of the world. Then I perceived a great red cloud, oxblood in color. This cloud was rolling on all sides . . . At the same time, I perceived multitudes of men and women with terrifying faces. They indulged in all sorts of crimes. They vomitted horrible blasphemies against all that is most sacred in heaven and on earth. What surprised me was to see at the head of these unfortunate ones some of those who, by their state, should bring them to good and who urged them on to evil! The thunder was still rumbling in the air in a frightening manner when I heard a voice say to me: "Fear not. My wrath will fall on those who have lit up my anger. They will disappear in a moment."

— Trappestine Nun of Notre Dame des Gardes.

Jesus told me: "My victim, you see that all is near. The fatal hour will groan over France and beyond. Good and evil will fight one another. For a time evil will win, but it will give way to good. The universe will be overthrown for my people are guilty. Prepare yourself to fight. I have promised that the chastisements from heaven will squelch the impious and corrupt race. The time will come. I will shut the mouths of the impious. I will surprise them in My justice. I cannot bear evil any longer . . I will let Myself be touched, but after the destruction and the chastisement that I have promised. Those whom I have spared in the midst of the ashes will touch My heart . . . They will be the glory of France. Guilty France (and all countries also) will see blood flow; her sorrow will be bitter, but I will be insensitive to it. The blood of martyrs and the blood of the impious will be steeped in the earth. The first will cry: "Mercy!" and the second: "Vengeance!"

With an angry face, Jesus told me: "I have done everything for my people. I have sent My mother to the earth, and very few have believed in Her words. Everywhere I have made My voice heard in choosing victims for Myself on whom I have operated marvels and prodigies. They have been scorned and persecuted. But behold, I will call these lightning rods back to Myself and I will arise in my anger. I am going to destroy everything on earth. It will be laid out in a coffin from which, after having purified it in its blood, I will resurrect it glorious the way I Myself came out of the tomb. The desolation will be so great and the chastisement so terrible that many will wither from fear and will think that they are at the end of the world.

"There will be three days of physical darkness. There will be a continual night during three nights and two days. Only candles in blessed wax will be able to give light during this terrible obscurity. A single candle will suffice for the three days. But they will not give any light in the houses of the impious and blasphemers. During these three days of darkness, the devils will appear under the most hideous and frightful forms. You will hear the most horrible blasphemies in the air. Flashes of lightening will penetrate into your homes but will not snuff out the light of blessed candles. Neither wind, nor storm, nor earthquakes will be able to snuff them out.

"Clouds as red as blood will roam the sky. Thunder claps will shake the earth, sinister lightning flashes will furrow the streets during a season when they are never produced. The earth will be shaken to its foundations. The sea will heave up roaring waves that will spread across the continent. Blood will flow with such abundance that men will have it up to their belts. The earth will become like a vast cemetery. The cadavers of the impious and the just will bestrew the earth. The famine will be great. Finally everything will be thrown into confusion and three fourths of mankind will perish. The crisis will break out almost suddenly. The chastisement will be common to the whole world and will succeed one after the other without interruption."

Our Lord also said: "I began threatening My people when they fell into indifference and today they deserve My justice." "Oh Lord, you will have pity!" "Yes, I will take pity on the good, but I will swallow up the rest. The earth will open up and they will disappear forever!" — Marie-Julie, 1850-1941.

"God is going to strike in an unprecedented manner... God will pour out His wrath, and no one will be able to escape from so much concentrated afflictions."

-Our Lady at La Salette, to Melanie Calvat

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